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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Jansen et al.	Examiner:	Gray, Phillip A.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 12, 2006, and in consideration of the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application prior to further examination.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.